C. Remarks

Initially, Applicants' undersigned attorney thanks the Examiner for the courtesies extended during a telephonic interview conducted on April 28, 2005. During the interview, the claims as amended above were discussed.

Specifically, claims 1-8 and 10-15 have been cancelled. Claims 24, 25 and 27 have been amended for clarification, as supported by the specification. Upon reviewing these claims, the Examiner agreed that these changes should be acceptable for entry under the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.312, because they are made merely for clarification purposes.

It is clear that this Amendment creates no new issues nor requires any new search. Wherefore, expedient entry of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

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